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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Kenneth L. "Ken" Schroeder of Normal, who passed away on January 10, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder was born in Altamont to Edwin S. and Clara M. Schroeder on September 10, 1921; he married Cleo K. Buzzard in Urbana on May 30, 1943; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder proudly served in the United States Army with the 1st Cavalry Division as Troop Commander of G. Troop, 8th Regiment in the Philippines and Japan during World War II; in 1952, he returned to service with the 44th Illinois National Guard Division as a Battery Commander, 144th AA Artillery Battalion during the Korean War; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder earned a Bachelor's Degree in Banking and Finance from the University of Illinois; he worked for State Farm Fire and Casualty Company for over 39 years and served as Vice President, Treasurer, and Reinsurance Vice President; and

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WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder was elected as the Normal Town Councilman twice; he was also active in Republican politics as Precinct Committeeman and Deputy McLean County Chairman; after

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1 his retirement, he volunteered as a Trustee on the Board of the
2 Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District for 32 years, 19
3 of them as Board President; in 2006, the BNWRD honored his
4 leadership by naming its 200-acre wetlands restoration the
5 Kenneth L. Schroeder Wildlife Sanctuary; and

6 WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder was an avid golfer, and enthusiastic
7 fisherman, an accomplished bridge player, a master of oatmeal
8 raisin cookies, the originator of the Longevity Cocktail, and a
9 respected adviser to his family and friends; and

10 WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder was preceded in death by his wife,
11 Cleo; his parents; and his sister, Winona Kott; and

12 WHEREAS, Ken Schroeder is survived by his children, Margery
13 (Gary) Moogk, Gerry E. (Vicky) Schroeder, and Mark C. (Barbara)
14 Schroeder; his five grandchildren; and his eight
15 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Kenneth L. "Ken" Schroeder and extend our sincere condolences
19 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
20 it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Ken Schroeder as an expression of
2 our deepest sympathy.